

FEBRUARY 22, 1837.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HAMER, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported the following bill :

A BILL

For the settlement of the accounts of Richard Harrison, late consular agent of the United States in Spain.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be,
4 and they are hereby, directed to audit and settle, according to
5 the resolutions of Congress, of the third of June, seventeen hun-
6 dred and eighty-four, for the settlement of public accounts, the
7 accounts of Richard Harrison, formerly consular agent of the
8 United States at Cadiz, in Spain, and to allow him the interest
9 on the money advanced, under agreement with the minister of
10 the United States in Spain, for the relief of destitute and dis-
11 tressed American seamen, and for their passages to the United
12 States, from the time the advances, respectively, were made, to
13 the time at which the said advances were reimbursed, and then
14 on the same until the settlement hereof; and for his personal
15 services, a salary, at the rate of one thousand dollars per year, for
16 the time he acted as such, (from seventeen hundred and eighty
17 to seventeen hundred and eighty-five,) exclusive of clerk hire,

18 interpreter, office rent, and other expenses; and for these such
19 sum as said accounting officers may deem just and proper, not
20 exceeding one thousand dollars a year; and the sum found due
21 shall be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise
22 appropriated.